1 August, 2023

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

Papatūanuku...

Our overarching topic across the school for the second half of 2023 is Papatūanuku. Students will be involved in experiences that develop

understandings around the habitats and the produce the land provides and how we need to protect that. They will plant for our summer vegetable gardens. They will learn the pūrakau/story of Ranginui and Paptūanuku, and about respecting different perspectives. Students will create artworks along these lines which will be the theme of our Art Exhibition on Friday 15 September. This learning will run alongside our continued focus on literacy and mathematics.



Save the Date...

Our annual Daffodil Day fundraiser and community event will be held this year on Friday 1 September, and we'd love it if you would save the date so you can join us for this fun community day.

manaaki whenua,

manaaki tangata, haere whakamua.

Bus Safety...

A reminder that it is parent/caregiver's responsibility to supervise your children prior to the children boarding the school bus in the morning and once they get off the school bus in the afternoon. This is especially pertinent during the winter months as visibility is poorer due to the time of year and the weather conditions. School buses are not able to wait at bus stops for children to be collected so it is important that parents/caregivers are on time.

Items to note...

- We have large numbers of 'found' socks at school as well as lunch boxes and plates left after 'bring a plate' events. Please pop into the office to have a look if you are missing items. It's likely we'll have a whole school sock puppet creation day shortly with the number of socks we have that are currently unclaimed!
- We have had a few students with tummy bug this week. We are reminding children to wash their hands regularly, but also a reminder to families that the guidance is that children stay home for 48 hours after their last bout of vomiting or diarrhea.

Policy Review...

Password: policies

This term the policies up for review are Inclusive Education, Recognition of Cultural Diversity, Maori Educational Success and Learning Support. To have a read or to take part in the review, use the link and login details below, and click on the 'Current Review' button.



Matariki Celebration...

Thank you to all of our whānau that joined us for our Matariki celebration on Friday 21 July. We think our tamariki really enjoyed making lunch for all of us, they certainly loved flying their kites in that crazy wind and we always enjoy and appreciate having our families in at school.

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Coming Up...

Thurs 3 Aug

Friday 4 Aug Thurs 10 Aug Friday 4 Aug Thurs 17 Aug

Friday 18 Aug Thurs 24 Aug Friday 25 Aug Year 7/8s to Tech **School Board Meeting** Year 5/6 Cluster Football Year 7/8s to Tech Year 7/8 Cluster Football Year 7/8s to Tech **Mathex Competition** Hui-a-Kura Year 7/8s to Tech Rangitikei Tough Kid